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- Some graduate student fellowships, stipends, etc.
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  - Assistance in preparing proposals, dealing with campus offices (SPO), etc. Complete accounting and clerical support for awards in the EC cost center.
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